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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice mailed December 9, 2004.

Applicant requests consideration of the pending claims in the above-identified patent application based on the remarks herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on *page 2* of this paper.

Remarks begin on *page 16* of this paper.